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1. The Soci  t   Le Nickel of Le Havre was reported to be involved in three separate nickel export transactions as of 26 August 1950. As near as can be determined, they are as follows:
  - a. An order was placed on 10 August 1950 for eighty tons of nickel cathodes to be sold by the Soci  t   Le Nickel to Arnold Teucher of Thurgauerstrasse 27, Winterthur, Switzerland, who will transship them to Metalimex, Czech national metals purchasing corporation in Prague. The transaction had not been completed as of 26 August because the Soci  t   Le Nickel had not yet obtained an export permit.
  - b. Seventy-five tons of 99.5 percent pure nickel is to be sold by the Soci  t   Le Nickel to Arnold Teucher of Winterthur for transshipment to Metalimpex of Budapest, the Hungarian national metals purchasing corporation. No export permit had been granted as of 26 August.
  - c. Seventy-two tons of ferrous nickel with a nickel content of 85 to 90 percent and 100 tons of "pig iron nickel alloy" is to be sold by the Soci  t   Le Nickel to Metallgesellschaft A.G. of Frankfurt am Main. It is believed that the ultimate purchaser of this shipment will be Metalimex in Prague. The nickel will be shipped in the form of bars packed in 192 containers and will be carried by barges of the Compagnie de Transports fluviaux l'Union. No export license had been granted as of 19 August.

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